Native Fish Art and Creative Writing Contest



NJ DEP's Division of Fish and Wildlife Native Fish Art and Writing Contest 605 Pequest Rd. Oxford, NJ 07863

The Artwork

- Submit a drawing of any native New Jersey fish.
- The drawing can be done in acrylics, oil, watercolors, oil pastels, crayons or ink.
- Artwork must be original and must depict a scene from the short story. It must be on 8.5 x 11 inch paper.
- Entries will be judged on both the artwork and the story.
- Entries must be received by Friday, March 2, 2012.

The Short Story

- A short story depicting a year in the life of a native New Jersey fish must include where in New Jersey the fish is found, its habits, habitat, any other ecological information about the fish.
- Stories should be typed.
- Stories should be 500 words, single spaced.

Open to students in grades 4 through 7.

The Winners

- There will be first and second place winners chosen in 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th grades.
- Each winner will receive a certificate and fishing equipment. First place winners will also receive a youth membership to Trout Unlimited
- Winners will be invited to the Pequest Trout Hatchery for a luncheon and awards ceremony.
- Winners will be able to fish at the Pequest Fishing Education Pond on the opening day of trout season Saturday, April 7. 2012.

Based on the Trout in the Classroom activity "Trout Life Cycle". This activity helps meet NJCCCS for Science 5.5 (Grade 4) A.1, C.1, (Grade 6) C.1, and 5.10, (Grade 6), A..1. Entries must be received by March 2, 2012 at:

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Entries become the property of the Division of Fish and Wildlife and will not be returned.

This contest is sponsored by Trout Unlimited.

Entries must include the entrant's name, home address, home telephone number, grade, teacher's name and school.